

**Other : Assef**

In the novel, *The Kite Runner,* a character that causes much distress and shows his cruelty and wickedness falls to the name Assef. Assef’s actions throughout his life label him as an extreme villain. As a child, the reader can see that Assef has the potential to be an insane man in his future. Almost all of his actions example his psychosis. One example includes his childhood. He commits the act of rape on another child. Despite even Assef’s companions telling him not to do this unforgivable act, Assef goes on and does it anyway. The victim of rape falls under the category of a Hazara, who are considered the worst class of society. Assef hates the Hazaras and wishes to exterminate them from Afghanistan. Another example from Assef’s childhood shows him giving a book about Hitler to the protagonist. He worships the Hitler book and wants Afghanistan to eventually be ruled just as Nazi Germany was ruled. This just shows how much of a lunatic Assef is even as a child. In his adult life, Assef leads a group that murders thousands of Hazaras. He also molests hundred of children that he buys from an orphanage. The acts of Assef are so outrageous and unbelievable that he earns the title of villain without competition. Throughout the novel, Assef shows absolutely no emotion or feelings of love for anyone and this may be a reason that he ages to be such a disturbed human being. Assef’s tyranny and despotism makes him the ultimate villain in *The Kite Runner*.